

CSSSA Visual Arts Application—2015

POSTMARK DEADLINE: February 28, 2015

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN BLUE OR BLACK INK ONLY.

1. VISUAL ARTS APPLICATION PORTFOLIO

(If you wish to apply to more than ONE department, you must print and complete the application for that department and submit in a separate envelope.)

You must identify first and second discipline choices. For your first choice, choose the topic that interests you the most (no previous experience required for any classes). For your second choice, choose a topic in case we are unable to meet the first choice request. Please give careful consideration to the categories. If you are accepted, your schedule of classes will be based on these choices. If you do not identify your choices, classes will be assigned to you and cannot be changed upon your arrival. **PORTFOLIO MUST BE SUBMITTED ON USB FLASH DRIVE ONLY.**

FIRST CHOICE: ☐ Sculpture ☐ Painting ☐ Ceramics

☐ Photography ☐ Printmaking ☐ Digital Media

SECOND CHOICE: ☐ Sculpture ☐ Painting ☐ Ceramics

☐ Photography ☐ Printmaking ☐ Digital Media

2. STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Legal First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Legal Last Name: _____

Home Address (mailing): _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ California County: _____

Country: _____

Email address: _____

Date of Birth (use numbers): ____/____/____.

Age: _____

Gender: ☐ male ☐ female

Grade Level to be completed as of June 2015: _____

Home Phone: (____) ____ - _____

Student Cell Phone: (____) ____ - _____

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3. PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Work Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Email address: _____

4. SCHOOL INFORMATION

Current School: _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

California County: _____

5. ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION

To verify your attendance at a California secondary school, please submit either a current unofficial transcript of your academic record, or have your teacher or counselor complete the Attendance Verification form (page 9).

6. RECOMMENDATION INFORMATION

Please identify two people who will complete the Recommendation Forms on your behalf. These people should be school teachers, private instructors, or arts professionals in your chosen subject area. Recommendations may be submitted on school stationery if the recommender prefers that, but they **MUST** be enclosed with this application.

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FIRST RECOMMENDATION:

Name: _____

Position: _____

School (if applicable): _____

School Street Address: _____

City/County: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Country (if outside of US): _____

SECOND RECOMMENDATION:

Name: _____

Position: _____

School (if applicable): _____

School Street Address: _____

City/County: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Country (if outside of US): _____

7. WHERE DID YOU LEARN ABOUT California State Summer School for the Arts?

☐ Friend ☐ Family ☐ Internet ☐ Poster ☐ Teacher ☐ School Administration

☐ Local Arts Organization ☐ Other (Specify): _____

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9. DO YOU REQUIRE ANY SPECIAL SERVICES FOR REASON OF A DISABILITY?

Physical:

☐ None

Legally blind/visually impaired

☐ Mobility impairment (including orthopedic)

☐ Other impairment (please specify): _____

Communication:

None

☐ Speech impairment

☐ Hearing impairment

☐ Learning disability

Please describe:

10. ETHNIC INFORMATION This question is voluntary. The California State Summer School for the Arts collects this information to conform to new guidelines from the Federal government. This information will not affect any student's application for admission.

Check one:

Decline to state

☐ American Indian or Alaska Native

☐ Asian

☐ Black or African-American

☐ Hispanic

☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

☐ White

☐ Other _____

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11. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

How many years have you studied your primary art form?

(1) In your school: _____

(2) Private study: _____

Please describe your education plans beyond high school:

If you attended CSSSA previously, please check the year(s) and indicate department(s):

() 2011 () 2012 () 2013 () 2014 Department(s):

12. FILING INSTRUCTIONS

Mail all forms, the assignments for your department, and the application fee postmarked on or before February 28, 2015 to the Department you are applying to at:

California State Summer School for the Arts

ATTENTION: Visual Arts Department

P.O. Box 1077

Sacramento, CA 95812-1077

- You MUST write the Department you are applying to on the outside of the envelope.
- A non-refundable \$20 APPLICATION FEE is required:

() CHECK or MONEY ORDER made payable to "CSSSA"

() VISA () MasterCard

Card # _____ Expires Mo. _____ Yr. _____

Three digit security number found on back of card: _____

Contact: (916) 229-5160 / (916) 229-5170 (fax) / www.application@csssa.org

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RECOMMENDATION FORM
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To the Student: **YOU NEED TO PRINT AND SUBMIT TWO OF THESE FORMS!**

Two individual adults need to fill out a recommendation form for you. Please make sure that your two recommendations and all other parts of your application, including the Required Assignments, are submitted in the same envelope postmarked on or before February 28, 2015. Your application cannot be completely processed until ALL REQUIRED FORMS AND RECOMMENDATIONS are received. Teachers may submit written recommendations on school stationery, if they prefer.

1. STUDENT INFORMATION

Students please fill in the student information portion of this form before providing it to the individual who will be recommending you.

Student Name: _____

2. RECOMMENDING ADULT: (Teacher, private instructor or other recommending adult).

Name of recommending individual:

Recommender's School Street Address:

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

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Recommender's Phone: (____) _____ - _____

Subject Taught: _____

How many years have you known this student and in what capacity:

Indicate below your evaluation of the applicant:

1. Interest in chosen area:

☐ Below Average ☐ Average ☐ Above Average ☐ Superior

2. Ability in chosen area:

☐ Below Average ☐ Average ☐ Above Average ☐ Superior

3. Character:

☐ Below Average ☐ Average ☐ Above Average ☐ Superior

4. Cooperation:

☐ Below Average ☐ Average ☐ Above Average ☐ Superior

5. Emotional Maturity:

☐ Below Average ☐ Average ☐ Above Average ☐ Superior

6. Personal Initiative:

☐ Below Average ☐ Average ☐ Above Average ☐ Superior

Please attach any additional comments.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

3. Return completed form to student (May be sealed for confidentiality) or mail directly to

CSSSA at:

California State Summer School for the Arts
ATTENTION: Letter of Recommendation
P.O. Box 1077
Sacramento, CA 95812-1077

Contact: (916) 229-5160 / (916) 229-5170 (fax) / www.application@csssa.org

This form should be completed by a parent/guardian. You will need information from your filed 2012 or 2013 income taxes (whichever is most recently filed).

Submit only if you wish to be considered for CSSSA financial assistance. Requesting financial assistance will not affect the outcome of your child's CSSSA application. Financial assistance is restricted to California students only.

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STUDENT INFORMATION

First Name	Last Name
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PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

First Name	Last Name		
Mailing Address	City	State	Zip Code
Phone	E-mail	Are you the:	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Parent <input type="checkbox"/> Guardian	

PARENTS ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME (AGI)

Forms: 1040 - Line 37; 1040A - Line 21; 1040EZ - Line 4

Earned by Father/Guardian \$

Earned by Mother/Guardian \$

ANNUAL SOCIAL SECURITY OR DISABILITY BENEFITS

Report benefits received by the entire family. Omit educational benefits. Do not report money included in AGI above. . .

NON-TAXABLE INCOME.

Include any:

- Untaxed unemployment compensation
- Interest and dividend exclusions
- Military, or clergy housing allowances
- Untaxed portion of capital gains
- Income from untaxed municipal bonds
- Child support
- Non-taxable retirement payouts
- Non-educational veterans' benefits

TOTAL \$

Size of Household

Include parents, all dependent children, and other dependents who you claim.

Number of dependents who will be full-time college students in the fall

Un-Reimbursed Medical Expenses

Only report if your amount of un-reimbursed expenses is greater than 7.5% of your AGI above. \$

In order to complete this financial aid application you must submit:

1. A copy of your filed 2012 or 2013 Federal tax forms, please do not include schedules and black out all Social Security Numbers. If you will not file tax forms, please provide appropriate income documentation.
2. A brief paragraph written by parent/guardian describing any extenuating financial circumstances.
3. Documentation verifying Social Security benefits, if applicable.
4. Documentation verifying un-reimbursed medical expenses, if applicable.

I certify that the information reported on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

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ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION FORM

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To the Student: YOU NEED TO PRINT AND SUBMIT THIS FORM, or a transcript.

- A teacher or counselor from your high school must fill out this form for you.
- Please make sure that this form and all other parts of the application are submitted without delay. Your application cannot be completely processed until ALL required forms are received by the California State Summer School for the Arts.

ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION: To verify your attendance at a secondary school, please submit either a current transcript of your academic record, or have your teacher or counselor complete the following certification:

I certify that _____ (student)

submitting this application is a bona fide student at:

_____ school.

Teacher/Counselor Name: _____

Position: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Mail* this form along with your application and materials by February 28, 2015 to:

California State Summer School for the Arts
ATTENTION: Visual Arts Department
P.O. Box 1077
Sacramento, CA 95812-1077

* You MUST write the name of the Department to which you are applying to on the outside of the envelope.

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CSSSA Visual Arts Required Assignment – 2015

Applicants to the Visual Arts Program must submit completed application and teacher recommendations and the following **REQUIRED ASSIGNMENTS**:

- A. Choose any issue that interests you (something personal, political or social). Use whatever materials, techniques and processes work best to express your views on the chosen issue. Provide an explanation of the work on a separate sheet of paper.

In this assignment we are looking for your ability to communicate a personal view on a particular issue through a work of art.

- B. Create an original art piece that reflects who you are. Use appropriate materials and techniques to interpret your idea.

In this assignment, we will look at how you creatively interpret the problem, and how you make artistic choices.

- C. Choose a piece of your artwork that you feel best demonstrates your technical skill and understanding of your favorite medium.

In this assignment, we want to see that you have developed the skills needed to succeed in this advanced program.

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RETURNING STUDENTS ONLY:

Applicants who attended the California State Summer School for the Arts previously must submit in writing a one page essay stating their reasons for wishing to return to the school, and their learning objectives for a second summer. **ALSO NOTE: Assignments A through C MUST be new, original submissions** that show your development and growth since you attended our program. **DO NOT** submit work you created during the previous summer session. The essay and your progress as an artist will be seriously reviewed. If you attended CSSSA in a different department, you must also submit a recommendation by a CSSSA instructor from the department that you attended previously.

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ALL STUDENTS, PLEASE NOTE:

- Do not submit class assignments from school! We want to learn about YOUR ideas, and see how YOU solve problems.
- Use different mediums for the above assignments, **one** of your submissions must be a drawing using a material of your choosing (for example, charcoal, pencil, pastel, etc.)

CSSSA Visual Arts Required Assignment – 2015

- At least **one** of your submissions must reflect your first choice (for example, if you selected ceramics as your first choice, one of your assignments must be in clay work)
- Submit required application assignments on **USB flash drives**
- Send no more than three images total, one per assignment. File types must be saved as **.jpg ONLY**. Digital images in formats other than .jpg, and/or on media other than USB flash drives will not be reviewed.
- Please Note: flash drives will **NOT** be returned.
- The flash drive must be clearly labeled with your name and date of birth. Please save your assignments with your first initial and last name followed by the appropriate letter for each of the submissions. For example, John Smith would label his work as follows:

jsmith_A.jpg

jsmith_B.jpg

jsmith_C.jpg

- **WORK NOT LABELED WILL NOT BE REVIEWED**
- We do not assume responsibility for the loss or damage of any materials submitted.
- Send your complete application, including labeled USB flash drive, application form, teacher recommendations, and financial aid request form and documentation, if you are applying for financial aid to:

California State Summer School for the Arts

Attn.: Visual Arts Department

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